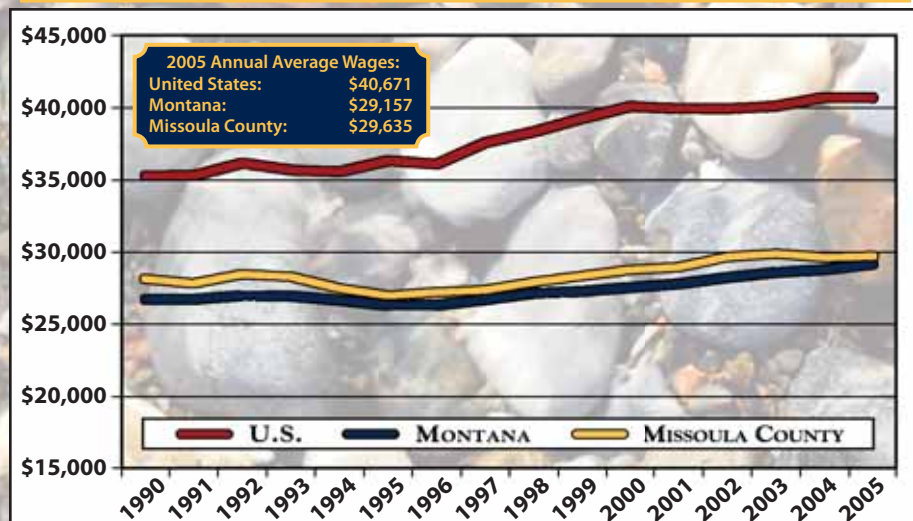


Annual Average Labor Force - Missoula County

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2005	58,692	56,542	2,150	3.7%
2004	57,639	55,432	2,207	3.8%
2003	56,745	54,545	2,200	3.9%
2002	56,234	54,015	2,219	3.9%
2001	54,894	52,719	2,175	4.0%
2000	54,251	52,044	2,207	4.1%

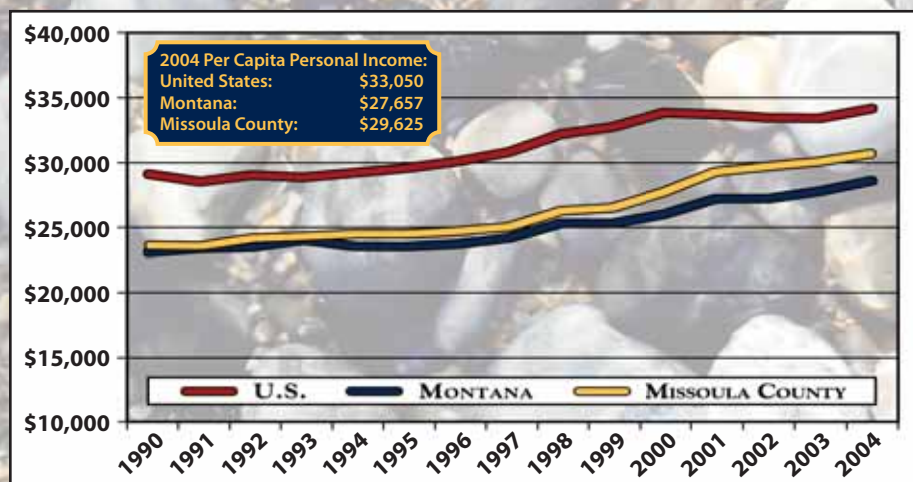
Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS)

Annual Average Wages, 1990 to 2005 (In 2005 Dollars)



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

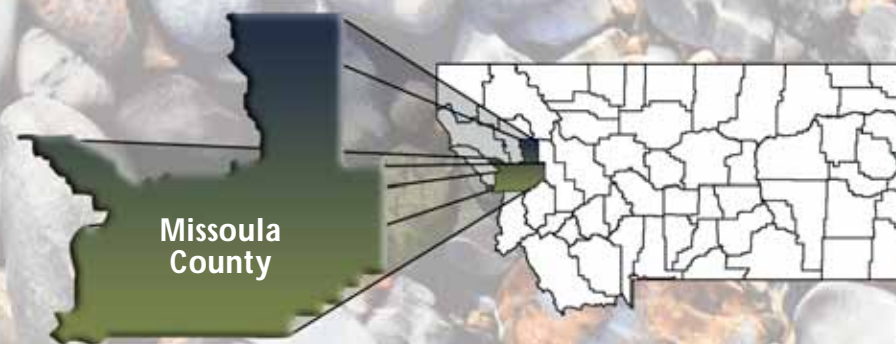
Per Capita Personal Income, 1990 to 2004 (In 2005 Dollars)



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Regional Economic Information System

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Demographic & Economic Information for Missoula County



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MISSOULA COUNTY

Missoula County is Montana's second most populous county, with an estimated 100,086 residents in 2005. Missoula, the county seat, is the state's second largest city, with a population estimated at 62,923 in 2005.¹ Other cities and towns in Missoula County include: Bonner-West Riverside, Clinton, East Missoula, Evaro, Frenchtown, Greenough, Huson, Lolo, Milltown, Orchard Homes, Potomac, Seeley Lake, Swan Valley, Turah, and Wye.

The City of Missoula rests at the base of Mount Sentinel, at the hub of five valleys and three rivers: the Blackfoot, the Bitterroot, and the Clark Fork. It is known throughout Montana as "college town," being home to the University of Montana and serving as a major cultural center for the state. In the fall semester of 2005, the university employed 577 full-time and 302 part-time staff members, and reported an enrollment of 13,602 students.² Missoula also serves as a regional medical center, housing St. Patrick Hospital and the Community Medical Center.

Retail Trade is the number one industry subsector in Missoula County, employing 8,114 people in 2005. Other significant subsectors include Health Care & Social Assistance (with 7,792 employees), Accommodation & Food Services (5,690), and Educational Services (5,442). In 2005, the fastest growing subsectors of Missoula County's economy included Mining (up 16.7% from 2004), Utilities (up 6.6%), Finance & Insurance (up 5.7%), and Real Estate, Rental, & Leasing (up 5.4%).³

¹U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

²"UM at a Glance" University of Montana website, www.umt.edu/DiscoverUM/AboutUM

³Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program

Resources for Missoula County

Chambers of Commerce

Missoula Chamber
P. O. Box 7577, Missoula, MT 59807
(406) 543-6623, www.missoulachamber.com

Seeley Lake Area Chamber
P. O. Box 516, Seeley Lake, MT 59868
(406) 677-2880, www.seeleylakechamber.com

Job Service Workforce Centers

Missoula Main Office
539 S. Third St. W.
P. O. Box 5027, Missoula, MT 59806
(406) 728-7060, wsd.dli.mt.gov/local/missoula/

Missoula Satellite Office
WoRC/FSET Program
2677 Palmer St., Suite 222,
Missoula, MT 59808, (406) 329-1295

Newspapers

Missoula Independent
115 S. Fourth St. W., Missoula, MT 59801
(406) 543-6609, www.missoulanews.com

The Missoulian
P. O. Box 8029, Missoula, MT 59807
(406) 523-5200 or (800) 366-7102
www.missoulian.com

Seeley Swan Pathfinder
P.O. Box 702, Seeley Lake, MT 59868
(406) 677-2022, www.seeleyswanpathfinder.com

Economic Development

Missoula Area Economic Development Corp.
1121 E. Broadway, Suite 100, Missoula, MT 59802
(406) 728-3337, www.maedc.org/

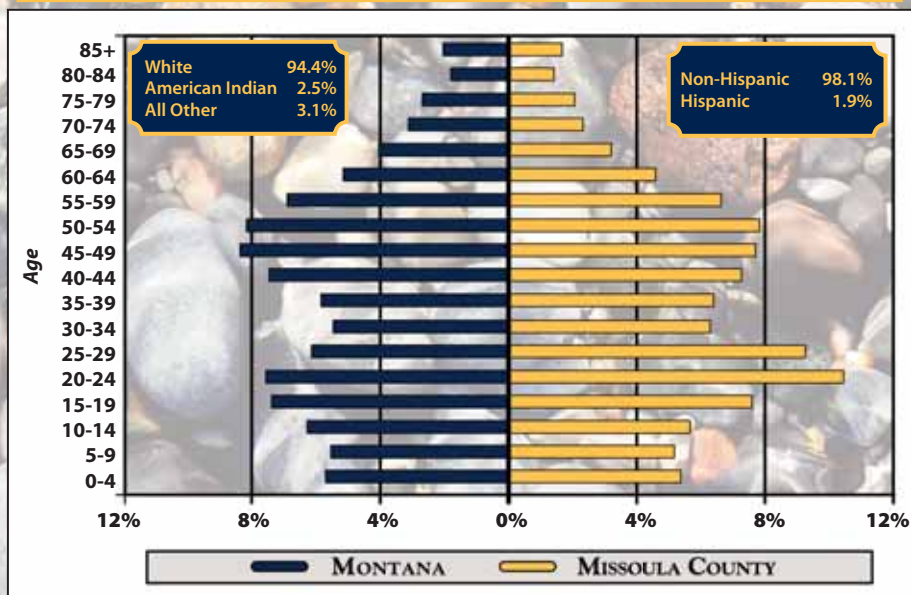
Montana Community Development Corp.
110 E. Broadway, 2nd floor, Missoula, MT 59802
(406) 728-9234 or (888) 745-5601, www.mtcdc.org/

Population for Missoula County & Related Areas

	Total Population					
	Census	Estimates				
Geography	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Montana	902,195	906,098	910,395	917,885	926,920	935,670
Missoula County	95,802	96,684	97,792	98,435	99,063	100,086
Missoula	57,053	58,340	59,413	60,717	61,843	62,923
Balance of Missoula County	38,749	38,344	38,379	37,718	37,220	37,163

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Distribution of Population by Age Montana and Missoula County, 2005



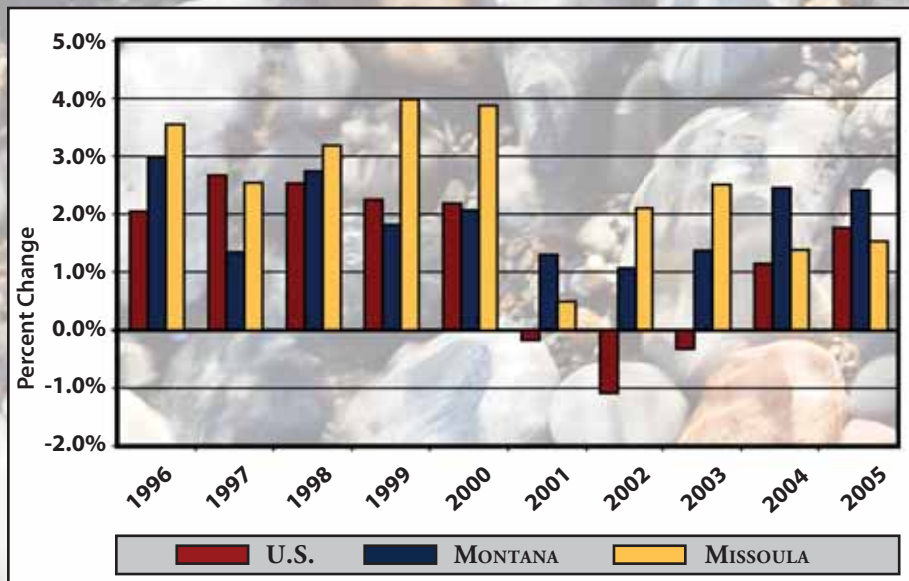
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 Population Estimates

Highest Level of Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and older)

Educational Attainment	Missoula County	Montana	U.S.
Less than High School Diploma	9.0%	12.8%	19.6%
High School Diploma (or equivalent)	26.5%	31.3%	28.6%
Some College	26.8%	25.6%	21.0%
Associate Degree	4.9%	5.9%	6.3%
Bachelor's Degree	22.1%	17.2%	15.5%
Master's Degree	6.5%	4.6%	5.9%
Professional Degree	2.2%	1.7%	2.0%
Doctoral Degree	2.0%	0.9%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

Percent Change in Employment: 1996 to 2005 U.S., Montana, and Missoula County



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

Top 20 Private Employers in Missoula County (Based on 1st Quarter 2006 Data - Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Business Name	Size Class	Business Name	Size Class
Albertsons	7	Research Data Design	6
Community Medical Center	9	Roseburg Forest Products	6
Costco	6	Safeway	6
Good Food Store	6	St Patrick Hospital	9
Jim Palmer Trucking	6	Stimson Lumber Company	7
Missoula Developmental Service	6	Smurfit-Stone Container Corp	7
Missoula Family YMCA	6	Village Health Care Center	7
Missoulain	6	Wal-Mart	8
Opportunity Resources	7	Watkins & Shepard Trucking	6
Partners In Home Care	6	Western Montana Clinic	7

Employment Size Class Coding: Class 9 = 1000+ employees, Class 8 = 500 to 999 employees, Class 7 = 250 to 499 employees, Class 6 = 100 to 249 employees, Class 5 = 50 to 99 employees, Class 4 = 20 to 49 employees, Class 3 = 10 to 19 employees

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW) This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to unemployment insurance. Railroads and government agencies are excluded.

Agricultural Statistics - Missoula County

Farms

Farms: (number)	641
Land in farms (acres)	258,315
Average size of farms (acres)	403
Farms by size: (number)	
Less than 1,000 acres	601
1,000 acres or more	40
Farms by value of products sold and government payments received: (number)	
Less than \$100,000	625
\$100,000 or more	16
Farms by type of organization: (number)	
Family, Individual, Partnership	620
Corporation, Cooperative, Trust	21

Livestock Inventory and Crops Harvested

Livestock and Poultry Inventory (number)	
Cattle and calves	10,737
Hogs and pigs	61
Sheep and lambs	1,770
Horses and ponies	2,439
Bison	149
Chickens (layers and broilers)	(D)
Crops Harvested (acres)	
Corn for grain	0
Corn for silage or greenchop	0
Wheat for grain, All	1,508
Winter wheat for grain	683
Durum wheat for grain	0
Spring wheat for grain	825
Barley for grain	486
Oats for grain	108
Sunflower seed, All	0
Soybeans for beans	0
Hay, haylage, grass silage	20,043

Operator Demographics

Primary occupation: (number)	
Farming	286
Other	355
Place of residence: (number)	
On farm operated	576
Not on farm operated	65
Years on present farm: (number)	
Less than 10 years	177
10 years or more	464
Age group: (number)	
Under 55 years	303
55 years and over	338
Average age of operators: (number)	56.5

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002
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Employment by Industry - Annual Averages 2005 - Missoula County

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	4,165	53,013	\$29,635
TOTAL PRIVATE	4,051	44,551	\$28,112
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	87	392	\$32,561
Crop production	6	53	\$34,851
Animal production	6	22	\$28,859
Forestry and logging	49	226	\$33,192
Agriculture & forestry support	26	91	\$30,540
MINING	6	21	\$40,614
Mining, except oil and gas	1	*	*
Support activities for mining	5	*	*
UTILITIES	7	168	\$59,253
CONSTRUCTION	510	3,161	\$32,350
Construction of buildings	173	831	\$29,852
Heavy and civil engineering construction	48	646	\$44,246
Specialty trade contractors	289	1,684	\$29,023
MANUFACTURING	130	2,784	\$39,910
Food manufacturing	11	342	\$29,774
Beverage and tobacco product mfg	6	187	\$31,962
Textile mills	2	*	*
Textile product mills	4	8	\$17,488
Leather and allied product manufacturing	2	*	*
Wood product manufacturing	16	925	\$36,557
Paper manufacturing	3	*	*
Printing and related support activities	12	98	\$25,605
Chemical manufacturing	4	47	\$45,050
Plastics & rubber products manufacturing	3	12	\$27,416
Nonmetallic mineral product mfg	9	60	\$29,665
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	9	59	\$34,667
Machinery manufacturing	6	38	\$43,705
Computer and electronic product mfg	2	*	*
Transportation equipment manufacturing	2	*	*
Furniture and related product mfg	16	162	\$25,566
Miscellaneous manufacturing	24	306	\$37,180
WHOLESALE TRADE	196	1,989	\$38,891
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	114	1,131	\$42,209
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	42	740	\$31,280
Electronic markets & agents and brokers	40	119	\$54,726
RETAIL TRADE	504	8,114	\$20,885
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	67	952	\$35,140
Furniture and home furnishings stores	36	330	\$24,540
Electronics and appliance stores	27	351	\$22,247
Building material & garden supply stores	41	794	\$28,643
Food and beverage stores	36	1,098	\$17,483
Health and personal care stores	23	164	\$23,343
Gasoline stations	43	524	\$13,972
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	65	623	\$12,705
Sporting good, hobby, book, music stores	55	786	\$13,715
General merchandise stores	20	1,735	\$20,086
Miscellaneous store retailers	69	572	\$15,548
Nonstore retailers	22	184	\$24,691
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	127	1,737	\$33,238

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
Air transportation	10	129	\$28,036
Truck transportation	73	954	\$39,216
Transit and ground passenger transport	6	197	\$15,588
Pipeline transportation	1	*	*
Support activities for transportation	23	217	\$26,991
Couriers and messengers	11	190	\$34,239
Warehousing and storage	4	36	\$14,521
INFORMATION	82	1,161	\$37,226
Publishing industries, except Internet	24	303	\$32,944
Motion picture, sound recording industry	8	83	\$6,877
Broadcasting, except Internet	11	238	\$35,149
Internet publishing and broadcasting	4	*	*
Telecommunications	20	345	\$54,416
ISPs, search portals, & data processing	14	187	\$28,887
Other information services	1	*	*
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	219	1,649	\$41,844
Credit intermediation & related activity	88	907	\$36,010
Securities, comm. contracts, investments	41	*	*
Insurance carriers & related activities	90	605	\$45,405
Funds, trusts, other financial vehicles	1	*	*
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING	182	835	\$22,227
Real estate	143	505	\$23,576
Rental and leasing services	38	*	*
Lessor of nonfinancial intangible asset	2	*	*
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	479	2,842	\$36,965
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	14	202	\$59,259
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	208	1,939	\$24,491
Administrative and support services	193	1,684	\$21,740
Waste management and remediation service	15	255	\$42,657
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	50	424	\$19,794
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	410	7,782	\$35,416
Ambulatory health care services	269	2,601	\$47,480
Hospitals	2	*	*
Nursing and residential care facilities	31	1,046	\$17,370
Social assistance	109	1,554	\$15,321
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION	109	1,260	\$14,113
Performing arts and spectator sports	23	199	\$21,655
Museums, historical sites, zoos, & parks	3	10	\$24,303
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	82	1,051	\$12,588
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES	316	5,667	\$11,041
Accommodation	55	1,024	\$13,038
Food services and drinking places	262	4,643	\$10,601
OTHER SERVICES	413	2,414	\$21,098
Repair and maintenance	141	765	\$26,358
Personal and laundry services	59	449	\$17,114
Membership associations & organizations	158	1,107	\$19,503
Private households	54	94	\$16,107
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	113	8,463	\$37,656
Local Government	49	3,324	\$32,828
State Government	20	3,690	\$33,944
Federal Government	44	1,449	\$58,185

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

* Data Not Disclosable

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